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AMENDMENTS

In the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 21 as follows:

When the attest data is requested from the document data storage system 20 in step S5, each of the attest data storage systems 30 and 40 confirms the document supplied from the document data storage system 20, stores the same, and then at step S6 delivers the signature image data as well as the signer ID number to the document data storage system 20 after the attest data storage system 30 or 40 receives approval from the signer. The attest data storage systems 30 and 50 also store therein the document number at the delivery of the attest data and the signer ID number.